STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3513

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 2 3 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 623

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 623, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

## SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY BOARD

G.M. No. 623 BARBARA BENNETT, for a term to expire 6-30-2018,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Barbara Bennett to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Small Business Regulatory Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of Barbara Bennett from the Small Business Regulatory Review Board and one individual.

Ms. Bennett is currently the owner and publisher of For Kauai Magazine. Kauai Mayor Bernard Carvalho, Jr., proclaimed February 7, 2014, as "For Kauai Magazine Day" and stated that Ms. Bennett's newspaper "brings in-depth community articles, has a vision to support the people and businesses of Kauai by providing a quality print publication and a state-of-the-art website, and is the most read publication on Kauai." Ms. Bennett has served as a member of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board since December 2012. She has also spent over fifty years in the marketplace with a diverse background in food and beverage, agriculture, retail business, sales, publishing, and other areas.

2014-2135 GM SSCR SMA.doc

Ms. Bennett indicated in her personal statement that she wants to continue to be a member of the Board because she knows and understands the concerns and challenges of hundreds of small business owners on Kauai.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Bennett's past experience, as well as her continuing commitment to issues related to small business in Hawaii, will be great assets to the Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing EGH Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee EGH	Referral:		Date:	4/14/	14
The Committee is reconsidering its decision						
The Recommendation is:						
Advise and Consent						
Members		Aye	Aye (	WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X				
SLOM, Sam (VC)		χ				
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		X				
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					1 . :	X
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		X				
THIELEN, Laura H.		X				
WAKAI, Glenn		<b>X</b> '				
		/\		·		
			_			
<u> </u>	<del></del>				<u> </u>	
TOTAL		6	0	)	0	1
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted						
Chair's of Designee's Agnature:						
Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy						

<sup>\*</sup>Only one Governor's Message per Record of Votes